

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

PATENT APPLICATION EXAMINING OPERATIONS

Applicants: Rebecca Klötzer Group Art Unit: 1711

Serial No.: 09/642,390 Examiner: Bagwell, M.

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Title : EXPANDED POROUS THERMOPLASTIC POLYMER MEMBRANES

AND METHOD AND DEVICE FOR THE PRODUCTION

THEREOF

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

1600 ODS Tower 601 S.W. Second Avenue Portland, Oregon 97204-3157 January 22, 2002

Box RCE Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

The applicant in the above-identified patent application hereby petitions the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks for a two month extension of time in accordance with 37 CFR §1.136 to file a Request for Continued Examination in response to the final rejection dated August 24, 2001. The applicant is a large entity and, in accordance with 37 CFR §1.17, a fee in the amount of \$400 is enclosed.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee relating to this application, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 03-1550. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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